Office of the President October 29, 2002

Members, Board of Trustees:

## DIRECTOR OF FOOD SERVICES EMERITUS BE CONFERRED UPON CAROL RAITZ

<u>Recommendation:</u> that Ms. Carol Raitz be named Director of Food Services Emeritus in recognition of her long service and dedication to University of Kentucky students for more than 32 years.

Background: In 1970, Ms. Raitz began her career as Manager of the Commons Dining Room. Ms. Raitz was named Assistant Director of Food Services in 1987. She was named Director of Food Services in 1995 and served as Director until she retired in 2002. Ms. Raitz initiated the first academic partnerships between Food Services and the College of Agriculture and the College of Human Environmental Sciences. Under her direction, the Lemon Tree, a student managed dining room, and the Block and Barrel Deli in Erikson Hall became successful partnerships between Food Services and the College of Human Environmental Sciences. Ms. Raitz opened a second Block and Barrel Deli in the College of Agriculture, another successful venture. Ms. Raitz worked with the architects of the W. T. Young Library to design Ovid's. There she developed the upscale dining service at Ovid's which has proven to be very popular with students. During Ms. Raitz's tenure as Food Service Director, student satisfaction with Food Services enjoyed a high rating. Further, Ms. Raitz's menus for Food Service received the American Medical Association award for healthy food choice offerings. The University of Kentucky was the only public university to receive this honor. Ms. Raitz, at the request of students, played a major role in bringing "branded concepts" to campus which included Long John Silver, KFC, Freshens, and Mark Pi. Ms. Raitz was also active in the National Association of College and University Food Services (NACUFS), serving as Vice President for Region III from 1997-98, and as Region III President from 1999 to 2002.

Action Taken:	✓ Approved	☐ Disapproved	Other	